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#### **EDUCATION**

# COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK | School of Engineering & Applied Science

New York, NY

Sept 2016 – Dec 2017

Master of Science in Data Science

- Academics: GPA 3.83
- Honors: Toyota Motor Corporation Scholarship (Fall 2016)
- · Capstone Project: "Quantifying Demand Patterns for Foreign Labor Across Industries" (in collaboration with Goldman Sachs)
- Relevant Coursework: Algorithms, Computer Systems, Machine Learning, Neural Networks & Deep Learning Natural Language Processing (NLP), Quantitative Corporate Finance, Statistical Inference & Modeling

## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES | College of Letters & Science

Los Angeles, CA

Sept 2012 - Dec 2014

- Bachelor of Arts in Business Economics with a Minor in Accounting
   Academics: GPA 3.93 (Summa Cum Laude)
  - Honors: College Honors, Dean's Honors List (6 Quarters), National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Alpha Lambda Delta (ΑΛΔ)
     & Phi Eta Sigma (ΦΗΣ) National Honor Societies, First-Generation College Student
  - Relevant Coursework: Econometrics, Auditing (GAAS), Business Law (US), Corporate & Partnership Taxation (US),
     Financial Accounting (US GAAP), Management Accounting, Financial Statement Analysis & Valuation, Investments

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### VIACOM | Department of Data Strategy & Consumer Intelligence

New York, NY

May 2017 – Present

Data Scientist Intern, Movie Analytics

- · Modeled box office seasonality through Bayesian inference and ranked movie studios using Markov chains
- · Estimated growth and decay time constants of user engagement on sponsored content to optimize marketing spend
- · Consolidated existing data sources into an automated data collection system and extended functionality through REST APIs

### STREAM GLOBAL | Noggin Design & User Experience Team

Singapore

Product Manager Intern

Sept 2015 – Dec 2015

- Designed analytics tools to engage users in monetizing their data on the Noggin Personal Data Exchange
- Researched API specifications and UI enhancements for integration into the Noggin PodSense and PodKet apps
- · Conducted competitive analyses of enterprises and initiatives in the space of personal data privacy and security

#### **PORTFOLIO**

### MOVIENET in collaboration with Paramount Pictures

New York, NY

Optimizing Movie Attributes and Theatrical Releases for Maximizing Box Office Revenues

Fall 2017 - Present

- · Quantified the individual effects of movie attributes, competition, seasonality, and time on theatrical market share
- Developed an ensemble of vector regression models using gradient boosting machines and deep neural networks
- Synthesized a schedule of 100 million observations through web scraping, feature engineering, and random sampling



#### PREDICTIVE TEXT GENERATION APP in collaboration with SwiftKey

Smart Prediction Technology for Easier Mobile Typing

Johor Bahru, Malaysia Fall 2015

- Generated real-time predictions for the next word in a sequence through an interactive web application
- Implemented a backoff model that computes conditional probabilities of words using maximum likelihood estimation
- Compiled a database of 4 million N-grams that supports 4th-order Markov models through tokenizing a text corpus



#### **ADDITIONAL**

Technical Skills: AWS/GCP, Python (scikit-learn, Keras, TensorFlow), R (tidyverse, Google Visualization API, Shiny), SQL, Tableau Certifications: Deep Learning Specialization (by deeplearning.ai), Data Science Specialization (by Johns Hopkins University)

Languages: English (Native), Malay (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (Conversant), French (Basic)

Service: International House of New York (Resident Member), One Heart Source (Cape Town, South Africa)

Interests: Artificial Intelligence, Behavioral Economics, Cryptocurrencies, Film Journalism, Foreign Languages







